

Dear Mr. Pai,

I am a small business owner and you received a similar letter from my partner. Without net neutrality I will not be able to do my work. Your thought processes to end net neutrality do not make rational sense to me, and seem to fly in the face of the rationale of this country's founders. Here's why that's important to you.

My business partner and I run an online grazing magazine that supports 100,000 readers a month. While that may not seem like a large number to you, our readers produce about 20% of the beef in the United States. Because of the articles we write and publish, these farmers and ranchers have the information they need to manage grazing so that they protect our soils, reduce weeds, improve water quality and protect wildlife habitat. Because of our work, the farmers and ranchers we support are more profitable. That means they can spend more money in the communities where they live and work. All that is to say that what we do is good for people who eat beef, for people who love wildlife and clean water, for the economies of rural areas and the U.S. economy as well

Without net neutrality, no one will care about our 100,000 readers. Our readers are scraping by as it is, and they won't be able to afford additional fees and we won't either.

The internet is a public good, and as such it should be protected for all Americans, not just big businesses. Since 2015 when Title Two was put in place, profits for internet companies have continued to increase, indicating that net neutrality does not harm them. Removing it will harm so many more.

Please represent the American people well. Do not eliminate Title Two. The people are asking you to listen. Please do.

Sincerely,

*Rachel Gilker*